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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am writing to show my support for more competition and more choices in broadband service providers. My previous broadband provider was a small local company that was bought out several times over the course of twelve years, and each time a new and bigger company took over my service, the price went up and the quality of service went down.

Fast broadband is critical to my work and my home. I have been much happier with my service, with far less downtime and faster speeds from a local provider since I switched my service from one of the bigger national providers. I am paying less now for better service than I got from my previous provider.

Please do not allow the big telecoms to continue to squeeze out the smaller broadband service providers. Your decisions should help foster competition and greater choice in broadband service, not weaken it.

Sincerely,

Daniel Barron